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The Mood In Ottawa

SENATE AND ANTI-HATE BILL

BY BEVERLEY MORIN
CJN Parliamentary Reporter

As the Senate prepares for its holiday recess, The Canadian Jewish News Parliamentary reporter in Ottawa summarizes the position of leading Senators as they expressed it during the debate on the anti-hate Bill.

* Ottawa (Special) - Senator Arthur W. Roebuck, government leader moving the second reading of Bill S-49, to amend the Criminal Code (with respect to hate propaganda) said that while there is little danger at the moment in Canada of race relations developing into a dangerous state, one should be prepared. He claimed there was no prohibition in law against the "poisonous appeal" of purveyors of hate. Pointing out that the Criminal Code was developed in a period of slower communications and far before the Nazis, he contended that both radio and TV regulations are more stringent against such matters than is the law.

Summarizing the fight for anti-hate legislation started by James Walker (Lib-York Centre) and Milton Klein (Lib-Montreal-Cartier) Sen. Roebuck discussed the provisions of the proposed bill and argued in their favor. He said that the considerable study given the problem and the wording of the suggested legislation by Professor Maxwell Cohen, Dean of the Faculty of Law, McGill University and his committee was a telling point. He finished by congratulating the Government on the production of the bill and recommended its passage by the Senate.

* Senator Edgar Fournier (PC-Madawaska-Restigouche) endorsed Sen. Roebuck's speech and drew attention to harm caused by certain types of cartoons intended to destroy individuals or groups.

* Senator Daniel A. Lang (:-Toronto) expressed concern, as a lawyer, at the "difficulty any legislature faced "in attempting to codify and define an offence as nebulous as the one contemplated in the act." He said that the proposed legislation "is to ensure a very basic freedom and to try to put into statutory form a freedom that . . . is now implicit in our constitution and in our way of life in Canada."

Suggesting that "what may or may not lead to a breach of the peace is almost a subjective determination" he objected to the 2nd sub-section, saying that "the onus is shifted to the accused to prove that the statements communicated were true.. or relevant to any subject of public interest and that.. on reasonable grounds he believed them to be true.."

* Senator David Walker (PC-Toronto) spoke of the vastly improved situation in Canada today with regard to discrimination, asking why such a bill should now be introduced "knowing... that there are a few crackpots who have been very successfully kept under control by the present provisions of the Criminal Code?" Saying that groups are made up of persons, he contended that the Code is sufficient to deal with offences in connection with hate propaganda.

Arguing that "identifiable groups" could be extended to cover almost any classification, he claimed that "the legislation is so radically drawn that in unscrupulous or ignorant hands it can be used as an instrument of tyranny" and suggested it be withdrawn.

* Senator Eric Cook (L- St. John's, Nfld) considered that "now is the time to improve and strengthen the law, so that if a real need ever arises, the statute law will be adequate..." He felt the bill "can afford great protection to the victims of wicked persons who should be stopped and punished before they become a threat to our...way of life."

* Senator Norman A. MacKenzie (Ind.--Vancouver) said that he has an equal repugnance for discrimination of any kind and punitive legislation that interferes with freedom. He urged that the bill go to a committee to be debated fully.

* Senator David Croll (L-Toronto - Spadina) referred to the time when he, then in the House of Commons, introduced a bill of rights each session, as did Mr. Diefenbaker, then a private member, and Mr. M. J. Coldwell, leader of the NDP in those days. For years these bills were considered useless, except by their sponsors and a few supporters, though once the Bill of Rights was passed (under the Diefenbaker regime) it was hailed by everyone.

Arguing that Canada is a mosaic rather than a melting pot, Sen. Croll said "anything that weakens or endangers that love or allegiance (for Canada) .... weakens our nationhood." He claimed that "the Human Rights Commission in Ontario has revolutionized thinking on a social and economic problem that had faced us for generations."

Sen. Croll said that the warped minds of hate merchants do not attack individuals because of the laws of libel and slander, but are free to vilify groups. "Hate is a corrosive force," he said and one that "starts a chain reaction which can only end by invading every sector of our society..." He said that the British Race Relations Bill had not curtailed freedom in that country, that the proposed Canadian legislation would only benefit us by discouraging hatemongers. More, it proclaimed a moral value and the government's support of it. In conclusion he said the bill should be carefully studied before adoption, which he urged.

* Senator Jean-Francois Pouliot (L-de la Durantaye) said that as most of the hate propaganda considered in the Cohen Report came from the United States that there is no reason for the legislation presently being considered.

* Senator Orville H. Phillips (PC-Prince, P.E.I.) said "It is impossible to completely outlaw crackpots of this nature." He prefers that, if they are going to distribute such material it be published under a letterhead and signed by the author. Otherwise "the organizations will be driven underground." He felt that considerable study was necessary in order to improve the bill.

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• Commentary •
By M. J. Nurenberger

A NEW KOSYGIN

There are several interpretations of the meaning of the statement made by Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin when he was the guest of President De Gaulle last week in Paris. I refer to the Premier's declaration on the Jewish problem in Russia.

Speaking to the press, the Soviet leader stressed the following points:

• Every "nationality" in the USSR feels quite at home, and that goes for the Jews.

• There is no discrimination in the Soviet Union on grounds of race or nationality. In fact, no other country in the world can boast such a record.

Then, discussing the problem of the Arabs and Jews, Mr. Kosygin said he would not encourage a conference between the nations of the Middle East "in the spirit of Tashkent" (as between India and Pakistan) because "there can be such conference only when both belligerents agree on such a meeting."

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Now follows the most important point on the possibility of allowing Jews to leave the Soviet Union: "if there are Jewish families in the Soviet Union who wish to join relatives abroad, they are free to leave."

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One opinion about these declarations is, they constitute a typical manifestation of Soviet cynicism. For instance, Mr. Kosygin spoke of Jews as a "nationality" — which they are, according to the Soviet constitution: a distinct ethnic group.

Thus, while this nationality had the right to its distinct cultural institutions in the past — schools, press, publishing houses, theatres — all this was liquidated in the Stalin era and none of it rescuscitated in the following years of The Thaw.

According to this critical evaluation, Mr. Kosygin also very adroitly ignored the religious problem of the Jewish community as he completely omitted to mention that the Jews constitute a religious group, thus entitling them to facilities accorded different cults.

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Still I tend to agree with some observations of the second school of thought concerning Kosygin's assertions, the school that follows the cautious, diplomatic line regarding the Soviet Jewish problem.

Whether or not we accept Mr. Kosygin's cliche professions of equality — of course, we know how untrue some of them are fundamentally — I cannot go along with those who demonstrate publicly against the Soviet policy vis-a-vis Jews. For the present problem of the Jewish community in the Soviet Union is one of spiritual survival; technically the Soviet leader is correct when he says Jews are treated as equals in areas other than spiritual.

There definitely is an antisemitism which has survived among the older generation, especially in the Ukraine, but also apparent is the fact that Jews have integrated into the economy of Russia. Therefore this specific problem of influencing the Soviet ruler to accord the Jews the license to be Jews must be handled with utmost tact for one deals here with one of the most powerful regimes on earth.

The traditional Jewish organizations, in fact, are opposed completely to public demonstrations regarding Russia. One expert on Soviet Jewish affairs, a man deeply steeped in Russian culture, is averse to antagonize the Soviet rulers on this issue.

Furthermore the significant statement — allowing Jews to join relatives abroad — is in full conformity with a policy this newspaper has propagated for a long time. No matter the degree of sincerity in Kosygin's promise to allow Jews to leave the Soviet Union, it nevertheless is the first breach in the wall and should be pursued with extreme care and finesse. For one must remember constantly that the destiny of three million Jews is dependent upon this policy.

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Concerning the Soviet Premier's declaration about Israel, it is here that the discrepancy and absolute avoidance of the basic issue are clear.

Soviet Russia is not an innocent bystander in the Near East conflict. Thus we must not tire explaining to the Russians that neither the Jewish people nor other friends of Israel can remain silent when this world power encourages Arab chauvinism and belligerence.

WILL THEY DISCUSS CANADA ROLE IN MIDEAST?—Rumours at the United Nations are Foreign Minister Eban, now in New York, will see Prime Minister Pearson on Israel—Arab problem.

After The Opper Ruling

SWASTIKA APPEARS

Jewish Buildings Daubed In Toronto And Winnipeg

(Exclusive report to The Canadian Jewish News)

Last week's ruling by Toronto magistrate, Charles Opper, who in defense of fundamental freedom of speech declared null and void a city decision to forbid self-proclaimed Nazi leader William Beattie to use the parks for dissemination of bigotry, has been interpreted from coast to coast by freedom loving Canadians as an encouragement to press for a federal law against hatemongering.

The eminent jurist, a firm believer in freedom of speech, stressed in his verdict the poisonous character of Beattie's neo-Nazi propaganda and declared that action for the curtailment of such outrage must be based on a federal law. As such amendment to the Criminal Code is now before the Senate, several organizations have decided to ask the Senators to speed up procedure so that the plague of neo-Nazism in this country can be dealt with effectively and legally.

While in general Judge Opper's decision is considered a challenge to the forces demanding a federal anti-hatred law, Nazi agents here and the scum following them have found in the Judge's decision a license to go ahead with their Hitlerite excesses.

Swastikas have appeared in the last few days on different buildings in metropolitan Toronto. This neo-Nazi movement, obviously nationally and internationally organized, also has become active in Winnipeg where Jewish community buildings were daubed with a swastika and antisemitic slogans. The Jewish community of Winnipeg officially has declared its concern and demanded action.

Organizations representing different groups of citizens irrespective of religious or ethnic background are determined to press for the immediate passage of the anti-Nazi amendments to the Criminal Law now before the Senate.

Experts on international law told The Canadian Jewish News that countries of such various backgrounds like, for example, India, the Netherlands, Sweden, Italy, France, Great Britain and West Germany do have laws against the dissemination of race hatred.

In Denmark, if rumors against any group of citizens are published in print, the disseminators can be punished up to one year in prison.

The West German law calls for imprisonment of not less than three months in such cases.

The French courts declared that "the mere purpose of inciting to hatred is enough to characterize the offence" and calls for punishment.

In Italy, any person who publicly engages in activities characteristic of the Fascist Party is punished by imprisonment and an additional fine.

Similar laws exist in many countries. Thus those representing the circles pressing for an anti-hate law state that an adoption of the amendment now before the Senate would be similar to existing protective measures in the most democratic countries in the world. Bigots must be dealt with the only way they understand, a member of the Federal Parliament told The Canadian Jewish News. We should not lose time because efforts are being made by the neo-Nazi underground to poison the atmosphere.

U. S. Official Statement

WASHINGTON COMMITTED TO ISRAELI SECURITY

New York, (CJN). - The American - Vice President Hubert Humphrey declared Saturday night the United States "will energetically oppose agression" that would threaten the peace in the Middle East.

In the same address before the annual conference of the United Jewish Appeal he declared the Administration remained committed to the integrity of Israel as a "free and independent state" as part of the objective of maintaining peace in that part of the world.

The United States, Mr. Humphrey said, recognizes the "great potential for conflict which exists in the Middle East", adding that "our policy is unmistakably clear". He stressed the Government's opposition to any aggression there, and the safeguarding of Israel.

Mr. Humphrey's assurances are significant because of their timing. They come after the sharp censure of Israel in the United Nations because of the attack on the Jordanian village of Es Samu on Nov. 3 in retaliation for terrorists raids. The United States supported this censure.

Sharing the platform with Mr. Humphrey, Abba Eban, Israeli Foreign Minister stated it was imperative for all governments in the Middle East - Israel, Jordan, The United Arab Republic, Syria and Lebanon -- "to agree to respect each other's rights to sovereignty, peace and immunity from attack."

"This applies to the relations between the Arab states and Israel and also to the Arab states with each other", Mr. Eban said.

Mr. Eban, in his address, said the immediate alternatives in the Middle East "are not war or peace". He remarked that the "two least likely things to happen in the near future are final peace or general war."

ISSUES APPEAL TO COMMUNITY.—Max Schecter, general chairman of the Greater Toronto Committee for State of Israel Bonds, this week urged Toronto Jewry to redouble its efforts for State of Israel Bonds in view of the present emergency. He announced the forthcoming international Bond Conference which will be held in February in Miami. The closing dinner there will be climaxed on March 4th by the presence of former Israeli premier, David Ben Gurion. At that time, Shecter stated, Toronto hopes to announce that the $2 million goal for the sale of Bonds has been reached.

B. G. Says:

ZIONIST MOVEMENT IS "UNQUALIFIED"

TEL AVIV -- The country which sent the most immigrants to Israel last month was the United States -- which is not to say that its immigration figures are high, but rather that aliya from other sources has dropped considerably. David Ben-Gurion told an assembly of 500 Wizo women.

The second largest immigration in October came from a European country and the third from India, Mr. Ben-Gurion reported.

Mr. Ben-Gurion suggested that the job of attracting immigrants from the free West be taken out of the hands of the World Zionist Organization which, he said, has proven "unqualified" for the task. North Americans, he said, do not want to hear Zionist emissaries telling them "what is the difference between Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda."

Instead, the speaker proposed that the emissaries sent to attract immigration should be "the best of Israel's people", and not representatives of Zionist parties. They should appeal to the idealism of American Jewish intellectual youth, the idealism that makes them active in the Peace Corps and in the fight for Negro civil rights. This approach would bring "tens of thousands" of young people to Israel from the U.S. -- and also large numbers from Canada, Latin America and Britain -- Mr. Ben-Gurion declared.

Turkey Refuses To Join Anti-Israeli Alliance

TUNIS -- President Cevdet Sunay of Turkey has refused to subscribe to Arab expressions of hostility towards Israel, while voicing his country's sympathy for the Arabs of Palestine.

Mr. Sunay left for home after a five-day State visit to Tunisia during which he conferred with President Habib Bourguiba on topical international problems and bilateral relations.

Encycopedia Editor Here

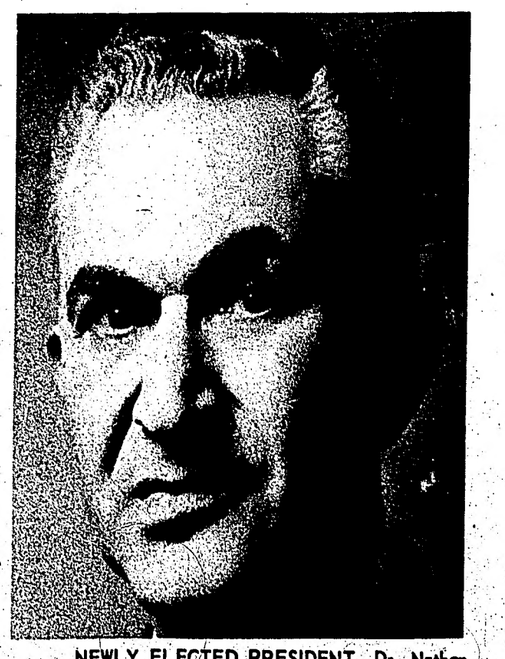
RABBI JEHOSHUA HUTNER, famous Jerusalem Scholar and editor of the first Talmudic Encyclopedia in history arrived here this week as guest of the "Rabbi Jacob Gordon Memorial Fund". Upon his arrival, at Malton Airport, Dr. Hutner declared that Volume XII of the Talmudic Encyclopedia will appear in March, in the Holy City. This volume has been sponsored by the Toronto Jewish Community as a Memorial to the late Toronto Spiritual Leader Rabbi Jacob Gordon. The Memorial Committee includes Rabbis G. Felder, S. Rosenberg, W. S. Wurzburger; Messrs. Wilferd Gordon Q.C. and Morris Kaufman.

U. N. To Strengthen Israel-Arab Border

New York, (JCNS) Recommendations to make the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation on the Israel-Arab borders a more effective instrument for avoiding armed conflict in the area, have been made by U.N. Secretary-General, U. Thant.

There must, he said, be full co-operation from both sides by extending to UNTSO full freedom of movement in the area where incidents have taken place; the parties should make it possible for UNTSO observers to get in touch with responsible authorities at any time, day or night; both sides should agree to the deployment of UNTSO mobile observation posts "in sensitive sectors or wherever it may be apparent that a UNTSO presence might avert military confrontation;" that UNTSO be given every opportunity for getting to the scene of an incident as quickly as possible and that both Israel and the Arab States should agree to a wider employment of UNTSO experts in investigations, including trackers with dogs, surveyors, demolition and explosives specialists and interpreters for both the Arabic and Hebrew languages.

U. Thant also suggested that having a helicopter available and a speedboat stationed on Lake Tiberias would, no doubt, greatly facilitate the conduct of UNTSO investigations.



NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT.—Dr. Nathan N. Levinne, prominent member of Toronto's Beth Tzedec Synagogue, Canada's largest Conservative house of worship, who has been elected its president at a recently held meeting. (For election details, see Toronto Synagogue News.)

TORONTO SYNAGOGUE NEWS

BETH TZEDEC INSTITUTE

Beth Tzedec Congregation presents this weekend its Israel-Diaspora Institute, A Weekend of Dialogue, devoted to a searching exploration of Jewish relationships throughout the world.

Col. Mordechai Bar-On, chief of education for the Israel Defense Forces (Haganah), will open the Institute Saturday morning, December 17th, after services, with a keynote lecture: Jewish Identity--An Israeli View.

Sunday morning, 10:00 a.m., Elie Wiesel, writer, and Col. Bar-On will be joined by others in the topic: The Clash of Jewish Cultures - Israel-Diaspora Conflicts. Those participating will be Dr. Gunther Sieburth, Asst. Professor of Philosophy, York University, Dr. Lionel Rubinoff, Asst. Professor of Philosophy, also York University. On Sunday afternoon, Dialogue will be continued: The Religious Quest. Discussants will include: Avraham Avi-Hai, Secretary of Public Affairs to Prime Minister Eshkol; Dr. Irving Block, Prof. of Philosophy, University of Western Ontario, and a Lubavitcher Hasid; Col. Mordechai Bar-On; Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Temple Sinai (Reform).

Later on, Sunday afternoon, 4:15 p.m., Elie Wiesel will discuss: The Diaspora of Yesterday and Tomorrow.

The entire weekend theme is: What Can Israel Mean to Us?

On Sunday evening, concluding theme will be: Separate or Together? Participating will be: Avraham Avi-Hai; Col. Mordechai Bar-On; Dr. Irving Block; Lou Greenspan, Dept. of Philosophy, McMaster University.

BREAKFAST MEET

Beth Am Men's Club held a breakfast meeting last Sunday. Guest speaker was Reuben Schafer.

MONTE CARLO

Youth of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda will hold a post-Hanuka Monte Carlo Sunday afternoon.

STUDY SERIES

Another of the Adath Israel Study series, Jewish History, was held yesterday morning with the participation of Dr. Murray Herst.

JUBILEE

An evening dedicated to the opening of the jubilee year for Canadian Young Judaea, Central Region, will be held on Thursday, December 29th, 8:30 p.m., at the Zionist Center.

MUSEUM OPEN

The Beth Tzedec Museum, exhibiting an outstanding collection of rare Jewish antiques and ritual objects dating back many centuries, is open to the public: Saturdays, noon-1:00 p.m.; Sundays, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Tuesdays, 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Special exhibition of Jewish weddings, past and present, may be seen till January 6th.

OFFICERS

The following officers of Beth Tzedec were elected at a recently held meeting: Bert Godfrey, honorary president; Ellis I. Shapiro, Morris B. Kaufman, Albert Shifrin, Q.C., past presidents; Dr. Murray L. Simon, immediate past president; Dr. Nathan N. Levinne, president; J. Barney Goldhar, chairman of the board; Sam Posluns, first vice president; Harry Lewis, second vice president; Max B. Nemoy, Q.C., parnos; Joseph Doran, gabbai; Harry Jordan, honorary secretary; Nathan O. Hurwich, treasurer; Jack Friedman, Q.C., vice chairman of the board. Board of Governors: Myer L. Axler; Aaron Black; Mannie Brown; Mrs. Murray Buchman; Mrs. Maxwell Cappe; Hy Cooper; Lewis E. Field; Herbert L. Fruitman; Al Ginsburg; John J. Glass; Shepsial Glazier; Milton E. Graff; Ben Grossman; Louis James; Jack L. Kerbel; Murray L. Keyfetz, Q.C.; Dr. Harry A. Landsberg; E. Harry Lepofsky; Murray L. Levin; Mrs. David List; Louis L. Lockshin; Isadore Markus; Herbert Orliffe, Q.C.; Louis H. Posluns; Sydney V. Roth; Sydney D. Shapiro; Dr. Allen A. Small; Jules Surdin; Dr. Fred Weinberg; Irving D. Wintrob; Sidney M. Zweig.

Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg is spiritual leader; Rabbi Isaac Freeman, Assistant Rabbi; Joseph Cooper, Cantor.

ONEG SHABBAT

At a recently held Oneg Shabbat of Torath Emeth Jewish Center, Rabbi A. Cohen discussed Rabbi Soloveichik's article in Tradition: The Lonely Man of Faith.

AUTOPSY DISCUSSED

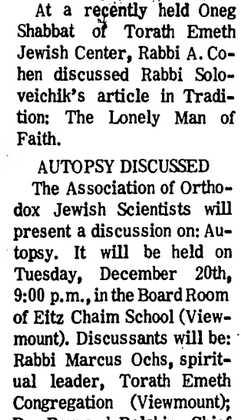
The Association of Orthodox Jewish Scientists will present a discussion on: Autopsy. It will be held on Tuesday, December 20th, 9:00 p.m., in the Board Room of Eitz Chaim School (Viewmount). Discussants will be: Rabbi Marcus Ochs, spiritual leader, Torath Emeth Congregation (Viewmount); Dr. Bernard Balshin, Chief Pathologist, Doctor's Hospital.

CAST

The cast in the Hanuka play presented last Friday evening by Junior Temple Players of Holy Blossom included Debbie Anshan, Edra Bayefsky, Bonnie Belfer, Mark Biderman, Karen Brill, Lennie Ciglen, Kenny Emsig, Shelly Feldman, Mark Fromkin, Barbara Gitelman, Barbara Gordon, Robbie Hutter, Robin Kert, John Lightman, Sharon Liss, Stephen List, Danny Lyon, Sari Mayer, Laurie Saunders, Mark Sigel, Sarah Jane Torgov. Phil Epstein and Robert Kirzner directed.

FAMILY SERVICE

Beth El Synagogue held a special Family Service last Friday evening in celebration of Hanuka.



TORONTO INDUSTRIALIST TO BE HONORED IN HAMILTON.--Mr. Stanley Sobol, for whom the new educational building of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy, will be named. Exercises will take place this coming Sunday. (See editorial, page 4)

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JEWISH IDENTITY — AN ISRAELI VIEW — LECTURER: COLONEL MORDECHAI BAR-ON, Chief of Education for the Israel Defense Forces (Haganah)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th, 1966 — **MAIN HALL**
2. DIALOGUE
THE CLASH OF JEWISH CULTURE 10:00 a.m. to 12:15 noon
PARTICIPANTS: ELIE WIESEL and COLONEL MORDECHAI BAR-ON will be joined by AVRAHAM AVI-HAI, DR. GUNTHER SIEBURTH, LT. COLONEL DOV SINAI, DR. LIONEL RUBINOFF

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th, 1966 — **YOUTH CHAPEL**
3. DIALOGUE
THE RELIGIOUS QUEST 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. DISCUSSANTS: AVRAHAM AVI-HAI, DR. IRVING BLOCK, COLONEL MORDECHAI BAR-ON, RABBI JORDAN PEARLSON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18th, 1966 SANCTUARY
4. MAJOR PUBLIC ASSEMBLY — 4:15 p.m.
THE JEWS IN SOVIET RUSSIA — KEYNOTE ADDRESS: ELLIE WIESEL, The Renowned Author, The Gates of the Forest

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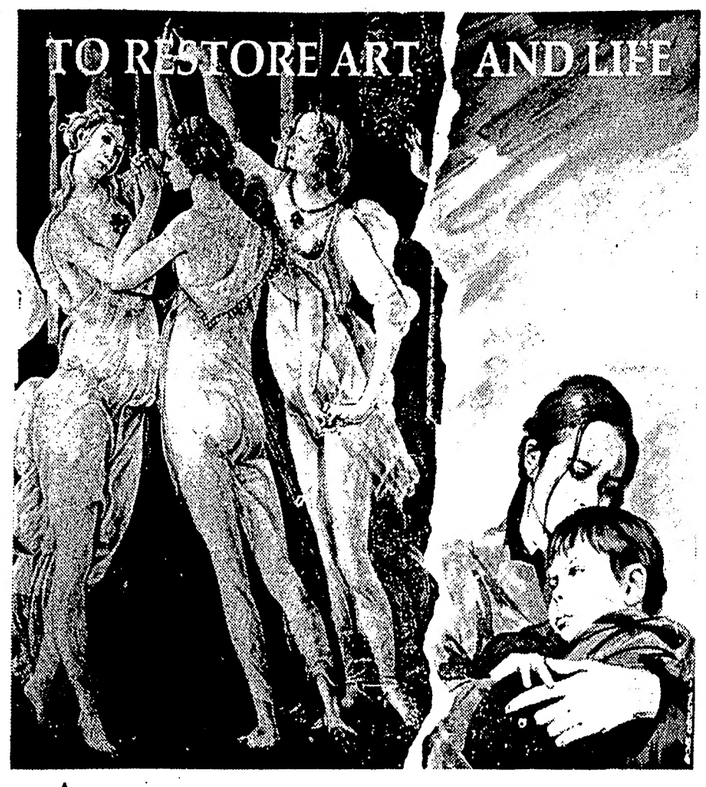

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And the floods continue.

The Canadian Flood Relief For Italy was established in mid-November by a number of leading Canadian citizens concerned with the plight of the Italian people and the loss and damage to art.

Among the honorary patrons are: Hon. Judy LaMarsh; Sen. Keith Darey; Hon. Paul Hellyer; Hon. Allan Grossman; Hon. John Yaremko; Hon. George Drew; Lady Eaton.

It is a non-profit organization established on a province wide basis. With headquarters in Toronto at the King Edward Hotel, it has regional committees in Hamilton, Windsor, Guelph, London, North Bay, Sudbury, Sault Ste. Marie, Fort William and Port Arthur. Other regional committees are being established.

The campaign will be a short one . . . 30 days.

The inaugural meeting to launch the drive for $300,000 was held on December 1st. The campaign will terminate December 31st.

Two-thirds of the funds collected will be used for direct aid, such as clothing, food, medicines and to aid in the rehabilitation of the 8,200 artisans and craftsmen who have lost their means of livelihood. The remainder of the fund will be turned over to the Ontario Art Gallery Committee and the National Gallery at Ottawa to administer the restoration of damaged paintings and sculpture.

A special project of the Canadian Flood Relief For Italy is "Operation Medicines". Donated medicines, drugs and supplies will be airlifted to the stricken area within a week.

The children of Toronto are donating toys to be distributed among children of northern Italy as the season's holiday gifts as an expression of solidarity. These toys will be airlifted by Canadian Pacific Airlines on December 19th and again on January 2nd in time for holiday distribution.

From a cultural standpoint, arrangements are being made to hold an auction of paintings donated by Canadian artists from across the country. The proceeds of the auction will be utilized in art restoration projects.

School children, trade unionists and women's organizations are urged to meet immediately in order that the objectives of the Canadian Flood Relief For Italy be reached to meet the present emergency.

Everyone is asked to donate. Contributions can be mailed to the Canadian Flood Relief For Italy headquarters at the King Edward Hotel in Toronto, to the regional committees or to any chartered bank in Ontario. Receipts will be issued for income tax purposes.

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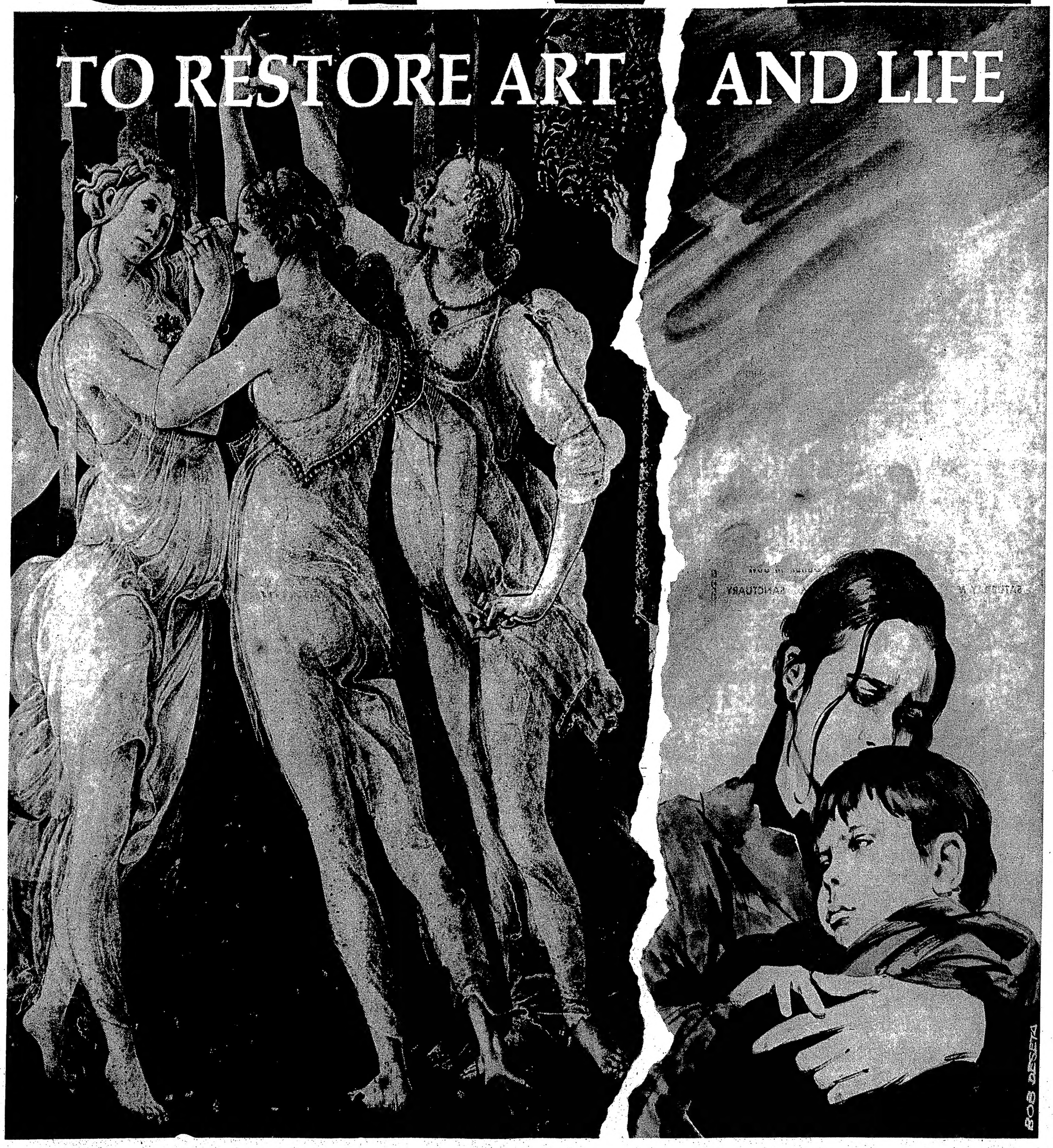

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IMPORTANT AGREEMENT:

NO DOUBLE TAXATION; CANADA - ISRAEL DEAL

Ottawa, (CJN) - The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, announced that he had met with the Ambassador of Israel, His Excellency Gershon Avner, to conclude an exchange of notes constituting an agreement for the avoidance of double taxation of income between Canada and Israel. This exchange of notes brings the agreement into force, effective today.

The purpose of the Agreement is to avoid the double taxation of income derived from the operation of ships or aircraft in one of the countries by an enterprise of the other country. This purpose is achieved by an exemption from income tax given by the country in which the income has its source, thus leaving the country of residence of the enterprise as the sole taxing jurisdiction.

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The Agreement is effective with respect to taxation years commencing on and after January 1st, 1965.

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ISRAEL EQUALS U.S.S.R. AS FRANCE'S CUSTOMER

Paris, (JCNS) - Well over 200 million people in the Soviet Union have not bought more French exports than two million Israelis, a Gaullist M.P. for Paris says, quoting trade returns for the first five months of 1966.

M. Rene Sanson reveals in a report of the Finance Commission of the French Assembly that French goods ordered by the U.S.S.R. during this period were worth 113,313,000 francs while Israeli purchases, not including military supplies, amounted to 108,576,000 francs.

He also states that between 1959 and 1965, France's profit from her trade with Israel "amounted to $450 million about 10 per cent of all French reserves of gold and foreign currency."

Beattie And The Courts

A CHALLENGE TO THE NATION

The ruling last week by Toronto magistrate, Charles Opper — that Toronto's Board of Control had no right to prohibit agitator William John Beattie from disseminating race hatred in the public parks — thus places this problem again before the public.

The judge's decision — that freedom of speech, its application, is not for municipal authority — will be taken up as a challenge by every free thinking resident of this city and the nation at large.

If true that "the Government of Canada is the only legislative authority competent to deal with the matter", then the issue becomes clear: the Cohen Report, now before the Senate, and the adoption of its recommendations to amend the Criminal Code against bigots must be dealt with — otherwise there soon will be new demonstrations and counter demonstrations, possibly new riots.

No one in a democratic country ruled by law will criticize the decision of a judge though the City of Toronto has the right to appeal this ruling and may do so. On the other hand, it must be remembered that public incitement against a particular religious, ethnic or national group in a city park must stir up hatred, as the judge admitted.

Of course, the city also has the right to prohibit Beattie's spectacles. But at this moment this solution seems less important than the problem per se: to place Nazi propaganda outside the law.

A New Milestone In Education

HAMILTON'S FINEST HOUR

The dedication exercises of the Stanley Sobol Educational Building, the most recent addition to the campus of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy Zichron Meir, signifies a new milestone in the almost miraculous development of this institution.

This coming Sunday Hamiltonians and Torontonians interested in the promotion of Torah schools, together with eminent guests from many other cities, will assemble to mark this new phase in the growth of the Hebrew Academy which, in its relatively short existence, has contributed so much to the cultural progress of the Hamilton community.

Only a few years ago it sounded unbelievable that Hamilton would be able to secure the existence of a Jewish all-day school of such high scholastic standing. Now the vision of the late Max Hoffman has become a reality and the school itself the envy of many a larger community.

A day school in present day North America is the symbol of a dedicated traditional Jewish community. Thus the leadership of young Rabbi Morton Green and the loyalty of the lay leaders of this community who labor incessantly for the development of the Hebrew Academy should be recorded as an example of selfless service to Judaism eternal.

The Beth Tzedec Institute

OUR DIALOGUE WITH ISRAEL

Toronto's Beth Tzedec, Canada's leading Conservative congregation, will hold a weekend of dialogue dedicated to the relationship between Israel and the Diaspora. The weekend, scheduled to begin on the Sabbath morning and conclude Sunday afternoon, is dedicated to a problem the discussion of which is of utmost actuality.

While the lecturers and participants in the panel at the Beth Tzedec Institute will dwell mostly on the spiritual aspect of the relationship between the people dwelling in Zion and the Jews outside Israel, we believe that the political and economic issues are not less important at this moment.

Israel now is undergoing a very serious economic crisis which, in our opinion, constitutes a greater menace than even its political problems involving the neighbors. This crisis has produced an exit from Israel of a substantial number of young men and women born and raised in the Jewish state.

The problem of why such emigration is possible should be discussed openly by all of us. Only recently Maariv reported that university graduates, especially many engineers and architects employed in the building trade, are leaving the country. One of the leading writers in this Israeli daily asked whether Israel can afford the loss of such blood. It has reached a point where people there wonder whether it is their duty to train professionals for the United States and Canada.

According to official figures, at least 600 Israeli physicians now are settled in the United States and Canada. Another 2,500 professionals are active in North America in other fields open to university graduates. Between 250 to 300 Israeli trained professors and instructors are teaching in North American universities and colleges. Isn't this a problem to be discussed openly? Shouldn't this be a "Zionist" issue?

We are certain that the debate which will be held at Beth Tzedec this weekend, though limited to the spiritual ties between Israel and the Diaspora, also will touch upon this issue.

Perhaps, in the redefinition of our rapport with Israel and in a possible reevaluation of the role of our institutions and organizations dealing with the Jewish state, we should begin to discuss the totality of the problem.

KEEP SMILING

UNFULFILLED

Husband and wife were vacationing. She suspected her meandering spouse of carrying on with one of the waitresses.

"I warn you", she screamed, "if you don't stop drinking and running after every woman you see, I'll throw myself into the pool and drown myself."

"Promises, promises", snickered the husband, "that's all I ever get -- promises."

SOLUTION

Said she: How can I have beautiful hands?

Said he: Deal yourself plenty of aces.

THE LADIES HAVE IT

Some say it's a woman's world. When a man is born, the first question people ask s, "How is the mother?" When he marries, people say, "What a beautiful bride!" When he dies, they ask, "How much did he leave her?"

OH!

"Max", imparted one fellow, "left Las Vegas with $50,000."

"I know", said the other, "but he went there with $100,000."

STATEMENT

A Texan received a statement from his bank concerning a check he had recently deposited. The note read: Insufficient funds. . . .not yours. Ours!

Torontoer Zeitung Perserveres in Sin:

THE UNREPENTANT GERMAN

On November 25th, in a front page story The Canadian Jewish News revealed that a local German language weekly, the Torontoer Zeitung, exposed the cause of the extreme nationalistic West German opposition to the Bonn government. The Torontoer Zeitung did this in a front page story in its issue, November 18th.

This shocking story, a complete reprint of a chauvinistic anti-Allies article in a German weekly, called the present democratic leaders of Germany the vassals of the Allies and insulted the democratic press and political parties there as the lackeys of the Western powers.

In the reply to this story which resulted in communitywide indignation, the editor of the Torontoer Zeitung sent us a letter which we print in full together with a follow-up of the editors of this newspaper.

We believe Mr. Lichter's explanation confirms even more than the original story in the Torontoer Zeitung the veracity of our report.

WE ARE SORRY THAT SUCH DANGEROUS JABBER IS PRINTED IN CANADA

The reply to the front page story printed in the November 25th issue of The Canadian Jewish News could be dismissed with just a few words were it not for the serious problem this attitude presents.

Mr. Tilman Lichter, editor of the Toronto German language weekly, Torontoer Zeitung, not only forwards his own comments but, as proof of our wrong evaluation of the position of his newspaper, also attaches a photostatic copy of a letter to the editor (in the Toronto Telegram, December 5th) of a certain "Mr. Oppenheim."

To be sure, Mr. Lichter knows this letter does not represent the opinion of the Telegram but, rather, seemingly represents the opinion of Mr. Lichter for he endorsed it.

This "Mr. Oppenheim" comments: "The hysterics some U.S. and Canadian Jews show over the German elections are not only unwarranted interference with the internal affairs of a foreign country but politically most unwise.

"There are good and bad elements in every people, Jews included, and if you condemn a whole nation and insult all its people you do yourself harm by driving those forces which try their best to make friends with you into the hostile camp."

It is superfluous to continue quoting this impertinent letter to the editor. First, it is obvious that the author makes an effort to mislead public opinion by presenting the tremor throughout the Western world following the NDP victory as "Jewish hysterics."

Both the anonymous author of the letter to the editor and his sponsor, the editor of Toronto's German language weekly, know very well that the reaction to the NDP victory was not an expression of "Jewish hysterics" but one of international public opinion in both East and West of the Iron Curtain. It also was the opinion of Germany's foremost independent magazine which in its own evaluation of the elections stated in the concluding paragraph:

"The problem is not the NDP. The problem is the Germans who elected them." (Der Spiegel, November 28, 1966, page 41.)

Mr. Lichter tries to habilitate his newspaper which features the view of the Neue Politik as the prevalent opinion on West Germany that introduces it to the poor, uninformed Michel and Greta who interpret his paper as the mood in West Germany.

Fortunately for the Germans themselves, the Neue Politik is not (yet) the expression of German public opinion; it is not, as Mr. Lichter suggests, the only independent publication in West Germany. Nor, we hope, is Mr. Lichter and his newspaper the representative of the German Canadian community if he espouses the cause of the extremist German pro-NDP group.

Those of us who read German are aware of the existence of such publications as the Frankfurter Algemeine Zeitung and other leading German independent dailies including the flourishing mass-circulation Der Spiegel. However, the paper so dear to the heart of the Torontoer Zeitung, Die Neue Politik, still is a very small and insignificant publication in West Germany, supporting the NDP party which the West German Minister of Interior openly termed a neo-Nazi movement. Of course, the Torontoer Zeitung has the right to become the Canadian exponent of this German group here but it definitely espouses the cause of the most dangerous West German political organization, according to all public opinion including the impression of those who sincerely hope for a German democratic and moral rebirth.

According to West German philosopher Karl Jaspers, today the problem of Germany essentially is that of ethical and moral renaissance. Those like that Herr Schenke or whoever he is, who attack the present West German leaders as traitors because they cooperated with the Allies, not only are preparing the ground for a neo-Nazi revival but those abroad who exploit the natural heimatsehnsucht among Germans in the wrong direction are both misleading the Germans here and creating again this kind of dangerous romanticism which was the undoing of Germany before.

The chief enemies of German rebirth are some Germans themselves. For only those blind ignore the essential facts of the postwar era:

Germany was beaten and destroyed in 1945; it was revived only because of the aid of its enemies who gave it another chance. Without the Marshall Plan, without Churchill's magnanimity, where would Germany be today? Furthermore Germans should never forget that at a time of complete quarantine of Germany it was Ben Gurion who helped Adenauer with public opinion in America by expressing his

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HIS PAPER CALLED BONN REGIME LACKEYS OF ALLIES; IS NOT SORRY

Dear Editor:

I must admit I was very much surprised to receive complaints about the Torontoer Zeitung's leading article of Friday, November 18th. I didn't think that the report by Mr. Wolf Schenke, taken from the weekly magazine he publishes in Germany, could, in any sense, be mistaken for a campaign for any kind of extreme right or left government in Germany; on the contrary.

However, since the fact has been brought to my attention that many in Canada have received this impression, I am grateful for the opportunity to clarify the reason for our printing this article.

I am aware of the difficulties behind the effort to understand the present German policy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Canada. Information is insufficient and the various political currents which are, for many reasons, in opposition to the official Bonn point of view rarely are known at all in this country.

This seems to be the case with the magazine, Neue Politik (New Policy), which has been for many years the only really and completely independent news magazine in Germany outside, perhaps, Der Spiegel.

Wolf Schenke, its publisher, has tried for quite some time to point out to the German people that everything about the present (West) German government is not right. He has tried to show that democracy as practised in (West) Germany is not what it should and could be; that, in fact, it is not the political system based on the free decision of the people, as it should be.

Schenke's opinion -- and not only his -- is a result of a most profound knowledge of postwar Germany. He says that the government on both sides, East and West, was imposed upon the Germans by the Allied Forces. I don't wish to discuss its merits now. It is superfluous in connection with what I'm trying to say.

Wolf Schenke merely indicates the weakness or indignation of German politicians not connected with the atrocities of the Third Reich -- which would obstruct the same sellout of German national interests that brought dictatorship to Germany.

The destruction of the German nation, its division into three different parts under different ideological rule, may have been suited for the victorious Allies in the first postwar years. It turned out, however, that instead of obliterating a possible danger, the divided Germany became the front for a cold war which focused the world's interest once more on this country in the heart of Europe.

What Schenke tried to say --and in my opinion quite clearly--is, German politicians didn't do anything to change this; they supported the movement for supranational associations on both sides. This meant the end of Germany as a nation since both sides associated themselves with different political systems.

Such a situation, considering the very strong feeling Germans have for their nation, couldn't last unless the governments of the two Germanies tried to create a new nation artificially. From the very beginning, however, this was not likely to be achieved.

(A good example as to what could have been done after 1945 might be the decision Austria made after the war. There will be some opposition, I guess, if I state that Germany never should have engaged itself so closely with the former enemy but should have remained neutral, like Austria, as it might have been the most adequate thing to do for a country after having been defeated by most of the world.)

Such a divided Germany always would be prone to political slogans demanding national unity and independence after a certain time had passed. Schenke knew it, as well as every dedicated and intelligent politician. The recent events in Germany (the considerable victory of the National Democratic Party of Germany in the elections in Hesse and Bavaria) justified his position. He knew it was wrong to try to make politics simply by blaming Communism for every evil in the world and considering the Americans the only true and unselfish friend of West Germany -- more so, since by this, seventeen million German people in the "wrong" part of the country suddenly became enemies too.

There had to be a backlash and it came when the Christian Democratic government was forced to realize that the USA wasn't such an unselfish friend after all, but had attempted to settle with Russia despite all the trumpets blowing in West Germany to stand up and fight Communism wherever it might appear.

There had to be a backlash after the German people realized that their government had acted on a completely unrealistic basis for years and years, believing firmly in a situation which didn't exist.

The Torontoer Zeitung printed Wolf Schenke's article because it says what every German should know: that the time has come for Germany to get off the backs of both the USA and Russia and try to make its own politics. Seventeen years of deluded belief in a Germany as an American outpost on the continent have brought the danger of a permanent separation between the two parts of this country and with it the danger of permanent discontent of its people.

If the United States really left Germany alone this time and showed decreasing interest in West German issues, the present government, if it didn't change its program drastically, would face a political chaos resulting in its collapse.

To call Wolf Schenke's article a far right opinion seems almost ridiculous to all people who know and read his magazine. In fact, he offers no ideology at all but tries to be the voice of the opposition in the West German democracy, pointing out mistakes in the government's policy. Isn't it quite understandable that he calls the complete breakdown that which it is -- an opinion he shares with the Economist of England?

True, there were riots in Germany against the National Democratic Party; but there were riots too, and more, against the government of Chancellor Ludwig Erhard and the inheritance of failures taken over from the years before.

To interfere now with this process of becoming aware of Germany as a nation is most dangerous if done with slogans like "Neo-Nazis Take Over Again" or "Rising Danger in Germany".

Despite all problems and crises, West German democracy is very strong and an ideology firmly imbedded in the people. It is by no means comparable to the weak system of the Weimar Republic.

Wolf Schenke believes, as most Germans do, that Germany is strong enough to take care of and solve its own problems.

This is the opinion of the Torontoer Zeitung too. Therefore, to explain this to the German people in Canada, we printed this article. We shall continue doing so and already have done so with an interview of the German magazine, Der Spiegel (I hope this time we shall not be blamed for printing a far left article) and one of the leaders of the NPD.

We think it the duty of a free press to show as many aspects of one problem as possible in order to allow the readers to form their own opinions uninfluenced and free.

Tilman Lichter
Editor
Torontoer Zeitung

Sermon of the week

Living With The Times

Our people has always been a minority people, one way or another. We have, therefore, throughout our long history, always been subject to the inexorable law of assimilation. What is, however, often overlooked is that there are two kinds of assimilation — the good and the bad.

Bad assimilation is permitting ourselves to be influenced by the worst aspects of the dominant cultural outlook. The assimilation of those Hellenistic Jews who chose to absorb the more vulgar aspects of Greek culture — the comics, chewing gum and cheap movies and literature aspects, to use a contemporary analogy — was bad. In the modern world this is instanced by the all too easy absorption by Jews of the more cross and indulgent materialistic aspects of our technological society with its emphasis on creature comforts.

But there is good assimilation also. The inexorable law of assimilation may tell us that a minority will always be influenced by the majority. It does not, however, ordain what the nature of that assimilation shall be. To some extent, through its spiritual leaders, a minority people may elect to adopt the more ethical aspects of the majority culture. A man must eat wholesome rather than injurious foods.

So it is that when we view the history of our people we see example after example of good assimilation. The Bible, from a literary and sometimes even from a theological viewpoint, has absorbed some of the more creative aspects of ancient Mesopotamian civilization. Pharisaic-Rabbinic Judaism, despite its origin in a clash with Hellenism, ultimately shows evidence of having absorbed some of the more elevating of Greek culture.

The transformation is radically adaptive, as when a concept such as paideia becomes Talmud Torah, but the influence is undeniable. Similarly, Philo assimilates, in the best sense of that term, Platonism. Likewise Saadia and Maimonides, Aristotelianism. Likewise Herman Cohen, Kant; and Ahad Ha'am, Herbert Spencer.

The dominant idea system of a generation may be ignored. It can never be avoided. In each generation in pre-modern Jewish history good assimilation occurred almost unconsciously. We who have eaten of the fruit of the tree of modern knowledge can no longer operate as if we still lived in a Garden of Eden of unwitting assimilatory innocence. We must decide as theretofore — but this time a little more consciously — how we will respond to the spirit of the age.

This spirit can be used constructively if we put our minds to it. The dominant theme of the best of modern thought — but the totality of reality is an evolutionary process and that the proper study of mankind is man — cannot but enrich our spiritual lives. The humanistic trend in Jewish tradition which is echoed in the dialogue between God and Abraham before Sodom and Gomorrah, and later carried forward in Rabbinic literature — can ground modern insights in ancient adumbrations.

In the last resort our metaphysical and theological hypotheses are less real than the spiritual phenomena they attempt to account for. Justice, righteousness, love, mercy, humility, charity — like the proverbial rose — by any other name would smell as sweet.

the lively arts

●THEATRE ●MUSIC ●FILM

— by D. Cohn —

* Israeli actress Daliah Lavi, 24, was secretly married in London to film producer John Sullivan, 42. She used her real name, Daliah Lewinbrook.

Miss Lavi was named in Sullivan's divorce petition. Her previous marriage also ended in divorce.

* The Visitation, by Gunther Schuller, will have its American premiere next June at the Met. The libretto, a free adaptation of Kafka's The Trial, tells of an American Negro university student caught between a Negro society that no longer recognizes him and a white society that has not yet assimilated him. The score, combining jazz and 12-tone music, is played by a seven-piece jazz ensemble and a symphony orchestra.

* Neil Simon, young New York playwright whose Come Blow Your Horn, Barefoot in the Park and The Odd Couple made thousands happy, has another hit on his hands, Star Spangled Girl.

* Filming of The Corrupt Ones, a Warner Bros. motion picture drama starring Robert Stack, Elke Sommer and Nancy Kwan, has been completed in Berlin.

The color adventure drama produced by Nat Wachsberger and directed by James Hill also was filmed on location in Hong Kong and Paris.

* Ed Kahn, executive secretary of the John Edwards Memorial Foundation at UCLA dedicated to the preservation and study of early recorded folk music, will serve as consultant on public domain music for Cool Hand Luke, the Warner Bros. motion picture drama starring Paul Newman as a chain-gang prisoner. Musical score is being composed by Lalo Schifrin.

* Because he had such a good time at the recent party given by Truman Capote, David Merrick plans to throw one himself next year. Said the Broadway producer, "I was inspired. It was the most interesting guest list I've ever encountered. I thought, 'What a wonderful thing to have a party not for any reason.' I'll get Truman to help me."

He thinks he'll have it in a hotel because "you need that kind of space. But he's pretty sure the men won't have to wear costumes. "They wouldn't want to get all dressed up. They never do but the ladies love it."

Some of the guests at Truman Capote's party included author Norman Mailer, Mrs. Joseph Fox, wife of his editor at Random House, historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paley, Mrs. Gimbel.

Those who couldn't come and sent regrets included: Mrs. John F. Kennedy, the Leonard Bernsteins; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Bunche; Irving Berlin; Arthur J. Goldberg; Marlene Dietrich; Samuel Goldwyn; Harry Belafonte; Irwin Shaw; Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton.

S. Y. Agnon, who, with Nelly Sachs, received the Nobel Prize for Literature Saturday night.

the nobel ceremony

Stockholm, Sweden. - Two Jewish authors - one from Israel and the other from Sweden - received their Nobel Prizes Saturday evening from King Gustaf VI Adolf.

The annual award ceremony was held in Stockholm's Concert Hall in the presence of the royal family, Government leadders and the diplomatic corps. Together with the dinner that followed in Stockholm's Town Hall, it was an usual Scandinavia's most glittering event of the year.

This was also the 75th birthday of Nelly Sachs, the German-born poet who shared the Nobel Literature Prize with Shmuel Yosef Agnon, the Hebrew writer who lives in Jerusalem, Mr. Agnon is 78.

Miss Sachs and Mr. Agnon were selected for the award by the Swedish Academy, which hailed them as "outstanding Jewish authors, each of whom represents Israel's message to our time."

Each received from the hands of the King a gold medal and a diploma. They will share the prize money, which amounts this year to the equivalent of nearly $60,000.

The ceremony was postponed till the evening in order that Agnon not be forced to break the Sobbath.

WILL APPEAR IN EXTRAVAGANZA.—Eddie Sossin (left), who, with his orchestra, will appear on the lavish program, along with singer Phil Fields (right), at Toronto's O'Keefe Center, Sunday, December 18th, when State of Israel Bonds of Toronto presents its Hanuka Festival for Israel, matinee and evening.

Others featured are comedian Jackie Mason, Edith Lazar Dancers. Television's Larry Solway will serve as master of ceremonies. Edward Marcel, TV producer, will produce the spectacular.

toronto after dark

BEST MUSICAL

Ushering in 1967, O'Keefe Center will present Man of La Mancha, starting Monday, January 2nd, through Saturday, January 21st. The best musical of 1966 -- it received raves in Variety and Saturday Review -- stars Jose Ferrer, with Harvey Lembeck, Wilbur Evans, David Atkinson, Maura K. Wedge.

FOUR-WEEK ENGAGEMENT

William Goodhart's Generation, one of New York's major successes last season, is running a four-week engagement at the Royal Alexandra Theater, starring Don Porter and co-starring Jerome Cowan. Featured are John Luce, Charlotte Glenn, Paul Collins and John Stewart.

Generation deals with a conventional mid-western father and his daughter who is married to an unconventional beatnik. The girl was eight-and-a-half months pregnant when the couple took their vows. The comedy works up to a pitch when they decide to deliver the baby themselves.

AT THE CASTLE

Robert Jason continues to thrill patrons at Castle George with his beautiful singing and talented guitar playing. His versatility may be enjoyed till tomorrow night.

NEW KIDDIE SHOW

Eli Rill's newest original musical for children, The Magic Planet, may become the season's hit at Theater in the Dell.

LONGSTANDING

The Hollywood Blues, Louis Negin's production at Old Angelo's, apparently will be comfortably performed the entire season, what with rave audiences every night.

SINGS AT YORK UNIVERSITY

Jeannette Zarov, soprano, is featured at York University coming Sunday evening. The York University choir also will perform under the direction of Dr. William McCauley, as well as the York University Strings with Harvey Seigel, Concertmaster.

IN LOVE COMEDY.—John Luce and Charlotte Glenn in Generation, the hilarious comedy now being performed at Toronto's Royal Alexandra Theater, to January 7, 1967.

ISRAELI ARAB AT OXFORD

London, (JCNS) - An Israeli Arab is doing post-graduate research at Oxford with the assistance of the British Friends of the Hebrew University.

This was disclosed by the chairman, Professor Norman Bentwich when presenting his report to the Friends annual meeting at the Assembly Hall, University of London.

At the same time two non-Jewish scholars are studying at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, with the assistance of the British Friends.

Although the Friends last year raised less money than in the previous record year, Professor Bentwich said, it must be considered that income included a one-time contribution of 100,000 pounds by the Rothschild Foundation.

ISRAELI EDUCATORS ON GERMAN MISSION

Bonn - Five prominent Israeli educators arrived in West Germany for a two-week visit arranged through the Union of Local Authorities. Munich's Mayor, Dr. Johann Voegel, who visited Israel three years ago, sent the invitation for the all-expenses-paid visit.

The five participants, selected by the Union, are Dr. Shaul Levine, Director of the Tel Aviv Department; Mr. Shmuel Hirshfeld, Deputy Director of Education in Ramat Gan; Mr. Ya'acov Ben-Yosef, Principal of Tel Aviv's Dalet High School; Mr. Eliahu Ben-Yehuda, Principal of a Netanya elementary school, and Dr. Pinhas Rosenblueth, Principal of the Mikve Israel Agricultural School.

In Germany, the Israelis will attend a seminar of German educators which will discuss the teaching about Israel and the Jewish people in the German school curriculum. The Israelis will take part as individuals, and not as representatives of any authority.

The Union said its acceptance was in line with the Israel Government's guidelines on relations with Germany -- specifically its policy "to encourage the spread of information about Israel in Germany."

"MORE ROOM AT THE INN"

Jerusalem, (JCNS) - Motels, restaurants and other holiday facilities for tourists are to be established in 20 moshavim and villages in the Jerusalem corridor.

There will be a fully-equipped holiday village and guest house at Shoresh; motels at Beit Zayit and Aminadav; a roadhouse at the Aqua Bella beauty spot, and in most villages, extra rooms will be added to settlers' homes to accomodate visitors.

The scheme will add to the earning capacities of villagers with limited land holdings - the position of most of the settlements in the Judean Hills.

CHAGALL WINDOW DAMAGED

Jerusalem, (JCNS) Israeli police are investigating damage done to a small section of a Chagall window at the Hadassah Medical Centre chapel here.

Search for Talent Contest

The Search-for-Talent Concert, conducted by the Farband Labor Zionist Order of Toronto, will take place on Sunday evening, March 19, 1967, at Massey Hall, it was announced this week.

There will be three award winners. They will appear onstage that evening.

Prizes totaling $1,000 will be awarded.

Judges in the Farband Search-for-Talent Contest are: Maestro Ernesto Barbini; Aldo Maggiorotti; Mary Simmons; Jacob Barkin; Elmer Iseler; Esther Ghan.

The purpose for this Search-for-Talent Contest, a Centennial project of Farband, is to encourage Canadian talent, according to Hye Kirshenbaum, concert chairman.

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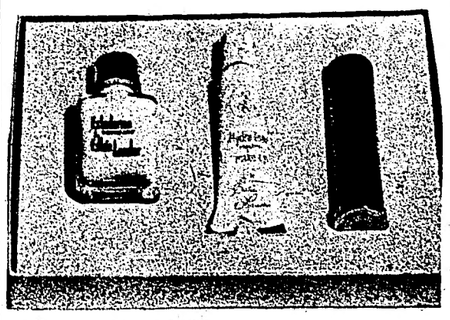

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CABINET EMERGENCY SESSION

by Ephraim Kishon

Eshkol: Kinderlach, vus hert sach? (So, children what's new?)

Sapir: Everything's O.K., sir, the situation is desperate, but I haven't lost hope. There are temporary difficulties, of course, but our wise policy of economic restraint is beginning to bear its first fruit. The number of applications for telephones shows a marked drop. Manicures have become cheaper. Power consumption is stable. There are achievements, no doubt, about it. Take just the dry statistics, for example: the Gross National Product rose by an average of 3 per cent this year, whereas last year, before the restraint, it rose by -- only -- 8 per cent -- all right, we are dealing with the situation.....

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Zadok: There are plenty of make-work jobs. In December alone, more than 200 jobless will be employed building new Government offices.

Eshkol: So what the hell are those newspapers yammering about? What's the number of unemployed?

Sapir: 236, if memory serves me.

Allon: And by the middle of January, even that number will drop to 80,000.

Eshkol: How many of them could the traffic police absorb?

Zadok: 6,000 cops a month. We have also started courses for tourist guides. At least 15 jobless will be trained.

Galili: So when shall we achieve economic independence?

Sapir: Next summer. In the meantime, I propose, gentlemen, to approve the unemployment tax without delay.

Eshkol: Right! Whoever doesn't work should pay!

Zadok: The idea is for those who do work to pay.

Eshkol: Those, too, of course. How much will the tax net us?

Zadok: If the real volume of the country's employment does not shrink its investment funds, I do not expect any more leaks in the economy's profitability.

Eshkol: That in any case. So how much do we make out of the tax?

Sapir: Ten million.

Eshkol: Retroactively?

Sapir: What do you mean, retroactively?

Eshkol: I know? I'm not an Eco economist, I'm an army man! I give orders and that's that, I herewith order you, with all the authority at my disposal, to heal the economy before the week is out.

Allon: Sir!

Galili: So when, approximately, do you expect the recovery?

Sapir: Look, Galili, you're still a greenhorn, this is none of your business.

Galili: I beg your pardon! I'm in charge of the Information Ministry. My phone doesn't stop ringing: When, at long last, will there be economic independence? and I don't know what to answer.

Sapir: I told you, in summer. Late in April, maybe.

Eshkol: And on what shall we live until then? Couldn't we get a little loan from the Common Market?

Zadok: That's not a bank, that's an international organisation.

Eshkol: I mean, privately.

Sapir: That's been done already. What I'm thinking of is a Restraint Tax.

Allon: It won't be popular. Morale is low, anyway.

Sapir: That's true. I heard that people are taking bribes without paying business tax on them.

Eshkol: What? A public committee must be appointed at once in order to investigate the reasons for the State's moral crisis.

Sapir: I've already appointed a committee of three.

Eshkol: Nu?

Sapir: Two of them emigrated to Canada.

Eshkol: In winter? Zei zeinen meshugge gevoren.

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Sapir: What do you think of an Emigration Levy?

Allon: It won't be popular.

Zadok: So what should we do, for God's sake? We've got such a deficit in the budget!

Eshkol: How much do we make on Shai Agnon?

Sapir: 50 per cent automatically, 18 per cent Loan, something for Defence Levy and a little bit for Entertainment Tax.

Zadok: Plus Travel Tax!

Eshkol: Why did they give him only half a prize, why?

Galili: So, economic independence, you are saying, will become operative.....

Sapir: Get him off my back!

Galili: But how did we get in such a fix?

Eshkol: What do you mean,

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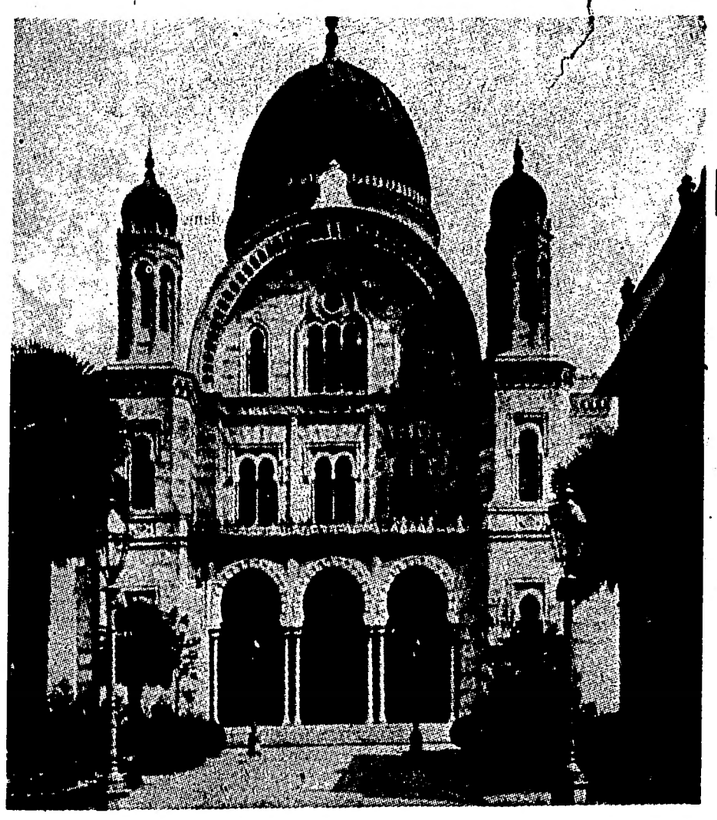

THE FLORENCE SYNAGOGUE

Centuries-Old Italian Jewish Friendship

FLORENCE ANCIENT JEWISH CENTRE

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Several weeks ago during the tragic inundations in Italy, a rabbi risked his life in the flood waters to rescue holy scrolls of the Law. When this spiritual leader in Florence, Dr. Fernando Belgrado, eventually emerged from the waters that rose to a height of thirteen feet, with the help of friends he managed to salvage some of the oldest extant Hebrew scrolls. Yet only forty of the hundred-twenty-five Sifray Torah (holy scrolls) were saved.

This moving story related in the newspapers of Italy symbolizes but to a small degree the irreparable losses sustained by the world Jewish community during the general cultural destruction wrought by the terrible flood that engulfed historic Florence.

While Jews the world over share with all men of culture the profound feelings of regret for the irreplaceable artistic treasures ruined, they are affected by these casualties related to ancient Hebrew civilization.

The approximately 1500 Jews now composing the community of Florence escaped the flood. But the nineteenth century synagogue of Florence, the most beautiful Jewish house of worship in Europe, was badly damaged.

Other Jewish community-buildings were destroyed beyond repair: the famous Florentine Jewish home for the aged and the up-to-date building of the Jewish day school opened recently. The 15,000-volume library housed in the basement of the community-building was washed away completely; 600 invaluable, ancient manuscripts perished.

No wonder the flood of Florence had affected Israelis so deeply that twenty students of the famous Bezalel Art Academy of Jerusalem immediately flew to Florence to help rescue art treasures. For the affinity between the people of Florence and Jews the world over dates back many centuries to the period of the Renaissance when this glorious city was one of the centers of Jewish learning.

In his classic work on his beloved community of Florence, the Italian Jewish historian and scholar, Umberto Cassuto, described with unusual talent and profound feeling the period of the Renaissance the poets the scholars, the famous rabbis and all those in this once flourishing Jewish center and its connection with Jewish history.

It is not surprising that Jews throughout the world are responding with such sentiment to the appeal on behalf of this unfortunate city so dear to the hearts of civilized humanity.

Many among us, students of Jewish history, remember the chapter of the Medicis whose name is linked not only with the art treasures of Florence but with the flourishing Hebrew center there. We know of the days when Hebrew books were printed, when classical texts were edited. Also we know that the first Italian Jewish weekly, Settimana Israelitica, appeared in Florence.

The present day Jewish community there, which revived immediately after the German debacle, survived in great measure because of the unusual human solidarity Italians in general and Florentines in particular displayed during the dark years of the Nazi rule.

It is common knowledge that Italy was one of the few countries in Nazi dominated Europe where people actually risked their lives to save their fellow Jews from the Gestapo raids. Not only did Italians rescue the living but they also were able to hide Hebrew cultural treasures including those housed in the building of the Collegio Rabbinico Italiano, the rabbinical seminary there.

Thus, with human misery as a result of the flood tragedy, with danger threatening precious art treasures and historic edifices dear to all humanity, Jewish sympathy has been kindled to the highest degree. Some Jewish organizations already have contributed to the relief fund for the Italian victims. Others, including individuals, are ready to help.

En passant, it is interesting to note that in the project of the restoration of Florence the rebuilding of the synagogue, of the Jewish home for the aged are included.

This too is in complete harmony with the traditional Italian Jewish brotherhood which flourished for centuries and reached its height during World War II.

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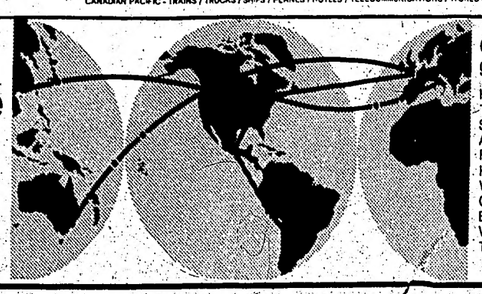

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Toronto Women's News

HANUKA MEET

B'nai B'rith Women, Toronto Chapter 434, held its annual Hanuka meeting in the form of a gift shower for mental health patients, at the Noshery. Mrs. Ben Alter presided. A skit was written and presented by Mrs. Ada Lewis; it was introduced by Mrs. Helen Stork. Besides Mrs. Lewis, cast included Bea Alter and Sarah Mendley.

Mrs. Joseph Aiken arranged refreshments; Mrs. Myer Cowitz was chairman.

HANUKA DANCE

Sisterhood of Beth El Synagogue held its Hanuka Dance Saturday, December 3rd. Winners of a drawing of a holiday for two at a hotel in Miami were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nichols. Other prize winners were Mr. and Mrs. Lou Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. D. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Silver, Mr. and Mrs. L. Finkler, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Goldenstein.

Mrs. Helen Skrow was convener.

REGULAR MEET

The regular meeting of Sisterhood of Beth El was held last Tuesday evening. It featured a panel discussion: Is the Synagogue Necessary to the Jewish Way of Life? Panelists were Ronald Nefsky, David Schultz, Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, Mrs. Ruth Constam; moderator, Briant Kassirer.

HANUKA MEETING

Women's Auxiliary of Ner Israel Yeshiva held a Hanuka meeting recently. Mrs. Jacob Weinberg was hostess; Mrs. E.H. Cooperman, president, welcomed those present. A letter from Mrs. Joseph Makower, member now residing in Israel, was read. Best wishes were extended Mesdames Jean Rotenberg and G. Stern, new life members.

Mrs. David Drebin introduced the program, Package Party; Mrs. William Schwartz was auctioneer. Proceeds will go for necessary equipment.

Mrs. Jacob Weinberg served refreshments in honor of her son's marriage.

LUNCHEON

Minnie Etlin Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi Women, held a luncheon meeting recently in the home of Mrs. Samuel Kaminker. Mrs. Jack Tarshis presided.

Mesdames Phil Tarnow and Harry Bregman were appointed tea conveners. Mrs. Kate Devor discussed the national board meeting held in Montreal. Mrs. Max Kurtz reported on the recently held bazaar. A raffle arranged by Mrs. Morris Swartz and donated by Mrs. Kaminker was won by Mrs. M. Halpern.

Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. George Panzer.

BOARD MEET

A board meeting of Beth Jacob Synagogue Sisterhood was held recently at the home of Mrs. J. Rotstein. Present were Mesdames M.J. Burak, H. Rubinoff, J. Goldman, H. Goldman, N. Schwartz, L. Waxman, Mrs. N. Schwartz, president, presided.

General meeting was held on Monday evening, December 12th.

BOARD MEETING

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood held a board meeting recently, chaired by president, Mrs. M. Okrent. Mrs. Joseph Kelman delivered the D'var Torah. Mrs. H. Nissenbaum read the minutes of the previous meeting. Other reports: Mrs. H. Goldenberg, donor; Mrs. C. Foxman, tea; Mrs. H. Nissenbaum, Purim masquerade and dance; Mrs. L. Lefko, mink hat draw; Mrs. H. Turk, cookbook project; Mrs. H. Phillips, recent convention of National Women's League.

DINNER

Toronto Hadassah-Wizo will have its annual dinner for Youth Aliyah on Wednesday evening, January 4th, at Beth Tzedec. A play and musical will be presented. Chairman is Mrs. Louis Tanz. Head table guests will include Kenrich R. Marshan of the Canadian Save the Children Fund, Mrs. Gershon Gordon, Mrs. Irving Green, Mrs. Murray Herman, Mrs. Murray Clavir, Mrs. Mark Zimmerman, Mrs. Harold Fink, Mrs. Bernard Mayer, Mrs. Morris Kaufman, Mrs. Wolfe Goldberg, Dr. and Mrs. George Liban, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Glass, Mrs. Ben Walker, Mrs. Alex Platt, Mrs. Leonard Klebanoff.

TEA CONVENERS

Conveners of the tea of the Women's League of Beth Jacob Girls High and Teachers Seminary, held recently, were Mesdames M. Buksbaum and D. Schmertz. Patroness conveners were Mesdames J. Korman, M. Kuhnreich, M. Nussbaum. Baking conveners were Mesdames Katzburg, Schoenfeld, Spitzer.

Mrs. A. Turin introduced Mrs. J. Gluckowsky who entertained with songs.

MEETING

A general meeting of the Women's League, Beth Jacob High and Teachers Seminary, was held recently and presided by Mrs. M. Nussbaum, president, who reported on the success of the open house held last month in the new school building. Mrs. J. Weinberg gave the D'var Torah. Mrs. B. Fuerst, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meetings, general and executive.

Mrs. B. Weinman was winner of the month's drawing, as was announced by Mrs.

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GUEST SOLOIST.- Jeannette Zarou, soprano, who will be guest soloist at a concert at York University Theater, Burton Auditorium, coming Sunday, December 18th, 8:30 p.m.

Miss Zarou was placed first in the CBC talent festival competitions in March with Sir Ernest MacMillan conducting. She has been awarded a Canada Council grant for further study.

She will be joined by the York University Choir under the direction of Dr. William McCauley, and the York Strings with Harvey Seigel as concert master.

FAVORITE ROOM

BY RUTHIE

When it comes to move, no house is big enough. You figure, besides the basic rooms like kitchen, bathroom, bedroom for every member of the family, dining room, you must have a den even if you haven't a book to write home about, a bar even if your strongest drink is gingerale, at least three bathrooms because that shows affluence, a music room even if the only thing you can boast is a record player, a game room even if your favourite sport is sleeping. This can go on endlessly.

But suddenly you stop short with a jolt. You think of the cleaning. So first you freeze and then you go into reverse.

Let's see. A bedroom for you and your husband. That's a must — and the minimum. Because — and you never dreamed the day would come — it would be sheer luxury if you slept apart, what with his snoring (and he claims you snore too).

Then you need a room for the kids. Two boys and two girls can share a room respectively. You're not crazy about straightening up after them but they have to sleep someplace.

If I had my way, all I'd add are a kitchen and bathroom.

With my family always on the run, who needs a dining room? To shlep (drag) dishes in and out? To display the silver so you'll have to scrub? Company? Treat them out. (Wishful thinking.)

What if you do have an overnight guest. There's always the sofa. It's ready for the junk pile anyway.

And who needs more than one bathroom? You begin to feel like a chambermaid.

The last girl I had was a gem. She was marvellous, but . . .

First of all, she wouldn't come to work at 8:30 or 9:00. She needed her rest. Eleven was more like it.

Nu, can you leave a house in disaray till eleven? Well, to make a long story short, by the time she came the beds were made, breakfast dishes were done, the house was swept, garbage was disposed of, sinks shone, the wash was done.

She did the important chores, like the lingerie by hand, ironing (clean work), eating and telling me her tzorres (troubles).

She left because I got smart and refused to make the beds. And she couldn't walk into an untidy house. It was hard for her to work.

Nu, is the world a world?

As far as I'm concerned, I could live forever in a kitchen. Give me my corner on a hard chair at the kitchen table near the frig and I'm happy. If I smell food, nothing is a hardship.

You can have the best time just noshing and listening to the radio. And if your hand gets tired going from table to mouth, you can always reach out for the phone nearby. You don't have to be lonesome.

Honest, people don't know how to live. It takes so little to enjoy life. Who needs movies, theatres, parties, go-go? You've got the world at your fingertips in your own little kitchen.

Someday I'll treat myself to a leather lounge like Mama used to have for Papa on a wall near the stove. This way I wouldn't even have to bother about a bedroom.

And to heck with housecleaning.

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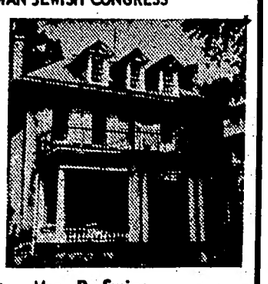
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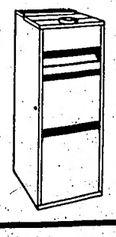
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CHELSKY, Jack. On Dec. 11th, late of 60 McGillivray Avenue.

FIRESTONE, Ida. On Dec. 12th, late of 81 Roseneath Gardens.

FRANKEL, Morris M. On Dec. 10th, late of 10 Shallmar Blvd.

GALFUND, Paul. On Dec. 7th, late of 12 Rockford Road.

GOLDMAN, Arthur. On Dec. 6th, late of Cobourg, Ont.

GOLDSTEIN, Cecil. On Dec. 8th, late of 70 Stormount Avenue.

ISENMAN, Rose. On Dec. 12th, late of 35 Canyon Ave.

ORENSTEIN, Ettie. On Dec. 8th, formerly of 21 Dennison Square.

ROTSTEIN, Joshua David. On Dec. 6th, late of 48 Basswell Avenue.

SHORE, Harry. On Dec. 8th, late of 263 Haddington Avenue.

TARNOW, Mrs. Dora. On Dec. 12th, late of Jewish Home For The Aged.

WEINBERG, Celia. On Dec. 11th, late of 340 Lonsdale Road.

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M. Bobrowsky, captain of the 200-a-month club. Mrs. M. Ochs introduced guest speaker, Rabbi B. Fuerst, executive director of the school. Mrs. Nussbaum thanked him. Refreshments were served.

MET

Sisterhood of Shomrai Shaboth met recently. Reports were read by Mrs. P. Kendal, secretary, and Mrs. M. Heller, treasurer. Plans were made for a luncheon to be held at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Felder on Tuesday December 20th.

BUSINESS AND CULTURAL MEET

Etzion Chapter, Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, held a business and cultural meeting at the home of Mrs. M. Rayman. Mrs. S. Waverman, president, presided; Mrs. A. Figdor was secretary.

Plans for a Hanuka party were formulated, with Mesdames M. Balinsky, C. Cohen and S. Klingman conveners. Mrs. L. Rosenfield introduced Mrs. Sheba Saunders who spoke on the origin of Jewish Book Month and the life of Sholom Aleichem. She was thanked and presented with a token gift.

Mrs. Waverman extended congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. C. Brown on their 25th wedding anniversary; the couple was presented with a gift from the group. The hostess donated a raffle won by Mrs. I. Reingewirtz.

LECTURED

Rabbi N.L. Rabinovitch lectured on Pirkei Avoth at a meeting of the Sisterhood of Clanton Park Synagogue recently. It was the second of semi-monthly meetings. Rabbi Rabinovitch will conduct all sessions.

YOUTH PROGRAM

A youth program sponsored by Clanton Park Sisterhood was held Sunday, December 4th, under the direction of Mrs. Sam Janowsky. Miriam Honigsberg was chairman. Aaron Weinstock moderated a panel discussion on: Are Yeshiva and Bais Yaakov for Modern Jewish Youth? Panelists were Paul Forman, Joe Greenbaum, Aaron Weisblatt, Nahum Wolf.

Refreshments were served followed by a rendition of Hebrew and English songs by David Wolf, guitarist. The audience participated in a sing-song program.

EXEC MEET

Clanton Park Sisterhood held an executive meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Bill Zimmerman. Mrs. D. Orson presided. Mrs. M. Weinstock reported on a coming rummage sale; Mrs. P. Danziger, Sisterhood Hanuka party for children; Mrs. W. Goldstein, annual tea. Mrs. M. Rosenfelder discussed the programming for future meetings. Plans for the youth program were made.

Among those attending the meeting were Mesdames S. Janowsky, N. Kanner, N.L. Rabinovitch, D. Rubenstein.

GENERAL MEET

Sisterhood of Torath Emeth Jewish Center will have a general meeting on Wednesday evening, December 21st.

EVER FAVORITE.—Musetta (Linda Newman) teases her rich escort, Alcindoro (Andrij Dobriansky), to the amusement of her friends, Colline (Paul Plishka), Schaunard (Eugene Holmes), standing, and Rodolfo (Enrico DiGiuseppe), Mimi (Carol Todd), and Marcello (Theodore Lambrinos), seated, at the Cafe Momus. Act Two of the Metropolitan Opera National Company's production of La Boheme by Puccini, one of the well known operas performed this week at Toronto's O'Keefe Center.

HUMAN RELATIONS

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QUESTION: A month ago there was a death in the family. Two girls, 7 and 9, were left with their father.

The older child never mentions her mother's name nor anything pertaining to her. On the other hand, the younger continually talks about her mother and wants her father to remarry so that she can call somebody "mommy".

The father is a very good man but has no conception of how to bring up children. The children are on their own quite a bit and they don't even have proper food in the house.

The grandmother refuses to take the children, because she says the older one is impossible to handle.

Everyone feels that the family should not be broken up, because the children adore their father, but we know they are not getting the proper care.

The older one is big for her age. In school she is extremely bright. The younger one is very quick, sharp and shrewd, while the older one is slow in speech and motion, except when she goes into one of her tantrums.

It is a heartbreaking situation. What can be done in a case like this?

ANSWER: At this time, proper concern for these children requires not advice, but action. Hostility, in one form or another, is almost always an accompaniment of the hurt or bereavement. The anger against fate may, paradoxically, be directed against those who have suffered the most by the death. After the initial shock, the relatives and friends want to have done with what has happened. They may then complain about the complaining behavior of the bereaved.

People show their grief in different ways. Some are able to show their hurt and anger in tears and talk. Others avoid the subject as if it were the plague. They feel that by not talking about it, they will magically, banish it. This is a kind of emotional anesthesia to deaden the pain of the loss. Sometimes these people undertake great activity to help others, as if to show the fates that they are really good and shouldn't be hurt any more.

Children, too, react differently to the death of a beloved one. Some, using the same magicthinking as grown-ups, act as if the parent had never left. They fantasy that when they wake up from this nightmare the missing parent will be there, as usual. But, by their tempestuous outbursts, of their dependent, whining and clinging behavior, they show that they know what has happened.

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Other children suddenly become very grown up when bereaved, and act more responsibly than ever before. It is as if they were taking over the role of the departed parent, and assuming her position in the family. Through this behavior, the departed one is made a part of the child, and is thus kept emotionally alive.

The older child, by her tantrums, is showing her rage at the tragedy that has befallen her and is working out her grief this way. The younger one, by making her mother a part of herself, is trying to heal her wound.

To expect the father, who is himself in the depths of his grief, to take on all the unaccustomed responsibilities for his children and act as both a loving father and mother, as well as a good household manager, is a little unrealistic.

That his children love and adore him shows that he is a responsible parent.

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The family is not being helpful when they come to pry and probe in order to find out what is missing in the home, and then to advise and criticize. What is missing is the presence of a loving mother and it can only be made up, in part, by the presence of relatives who are helpful and loving. A grandmother who is so critical and rejecting of her grandchildren in their time of need is incapable of handling them.

If the close relatives cannot initiate or participate in a program of giving their time, energy and love to the children, it is advised that the father contact the Family Service of his religious faith for help. It provides motherless families with helpers who run the household and look after the children during the day until the father returns from work. These individuals are screened most carefully by the agency for this task. They are compensated by the father according to his ability. The older child would rage less if the family did more and cried less.

The Lighter Side Of Israel

CABINET EMERGENCY

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how? Kinderlach, try to be realistic: this is a small country, lacking natural resources and economic experts, a small country which only yesterday chased the foreign invaders and the foreign investors off its lands, so what are these silly questions?

Galili: But we must do something right.

Sapir: Must, must, but what?

Allon: In my opinion, this is the time for an economic miracle. We'll have to act in that direction.

Galili: I only know that a year ago the economic situation was quite O.K.

Eshkol: You're talking like a half-wit, Galili. A year ago there were elections, weren't there?

Sapir: Big deal, before elections!

Galili: Why?

Sapir: I don't know. It's like that all over the world. On the eve of elections, purchasing power rises, means of payment are channelled into the credit market, economic awakening...

Galili: Then it's a pity that there aren't elections this year as well!

Allon: Come, come....

Eshkol: Just a second, kinder! As a matter of fact... as a matter of fact.....

Sapir: What, as a matter of fact?

Eshkol: The Old Man keeps fighting for a change in the electoral system. How about taking him at his word?

Sapir: I think I see what you are driving at....

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Eshkol: Yes, make-work elections?

Allon: God bless you!

Eshkol: Don't interrupt me! I have a Messianic vision, gentlemen!.... An isolated country, devoid of sources of existence, gripped by a chronic voting fever .....elections are no sooner over than they start anew....

Zadok: In an unbroken cycle!

Eshkol: That's it! There won't be time for ruining the economy! No recession! No restraint!.... The country is inoculated against financial crises, a country of eternal prosperity, a country of annual elections, during the pleasant autumn months, only elections, always elections, permanent elections...

Galili: So maybe the independence....

Allon: So beautiful!

Sapir: Just a second! What will be the results of the election?

(Pause).

Eshkol: All right, back to the restraint.

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Mood In Ottawa

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* Senator Lionel Choquette (PC-Ottawa East) quoted from editorials in various Canadian dailies over the past few months which were against the proposed legislation. He summed his arguments by saying "we are faced today with a much more serious problem than that of hate literature,....that of obscene literature."

* Senator George S. White (PC-Hastings -- Frontenac) declared himself flatly as opposed to the bill and said that despite references to hate-mongers, "there have been no instances in the slightest degree to show why it is necessary to have a bill of this type. If these things exist in Canada, I would like to have the particulars." He felt that approval of it would be "an insult to Canadians."

* Senator Salter A. Hayden (L-Toronto) claimed "provisions as to discrimination are already contained in the laws of most... of our provincial jurisdiction."

He felt that the U.N. is the place with which to deal with genocide, referrred to the convention adopted by the General Assembly in December 1948 (which came into effect in January, 1951) pointing out that Article II of it is similar to paragraphs a,b,c and d of section 267A (2) of the proposed legislation. He said that the Canadian Bill of Rights, ennunciating the "right of the individual to life, liberty, security of the person and enjoyment of property, and the right not be deprived thereof except by due process of the law," combined with the present provisions of the Criminal Code, are sufficient safeguard.

"But let the joint committee study it and tell us" if "the whole bill has weaknesses which make it impossible to pass it into law." Referring to genocide, he said that the U.N. convention dealt adequately with it; that as most of the hate literature had been imported from other countries and the Post Office Act had applicable regulations it seemed to him unnecessary to amend the Criminal Code. Nevertheless he supported full debate, and suggested in closing that if legislation were to be passed in this matter that a safeguard should be added to the effect that no prosecution could be made without the consent of the Attorney General of Canada.

These debates covered the period November 9 to 30 inclusive.

Some senators who have not yet spoken expressed themselves privately. Senator A. B. Baird (L-St. John's, Nfld) considered that the Criminal Code provides sufficient control by the extension of individuals to groups. He feels he would vote against the bill.

Senator J. M. MacDonald (PC-Cape Breton) declares himself for the bill. "The objection seems that there is no pressing need now for it. However, we should pass it and hope we will never have to use it," he said.

A cautious approach is taken by Senator G. B. Isnor (L-Halifax-Dartmouth) who says he is prepared to listen to those who know the legal aspects of its terms, and then decide.

A LEADER IN THE CANADIAN FLOOD RELIEF FOR ITALY.—The Hon. Allan Grossman, Ontario Minister of Reform Institutions, who has joined the committee of outstanding Canadians of all faiths and every ethnic origin to help rehabilitate Florence and other Italian centers affected by the recent flood.

UNREPENTANT GERMAN

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belief in a new Germany despite criticism of many.

The most ridiculous assertion today is to declare that, in the present international situation with Russia and France bordering Germany, any "power" among the Germans could change its present position by force. In fact, those longing for the good old days of Hitler apparently forget that it was Hitler's defiance of the world and his atrocities which had brought together the alliance; it was Hitler who indirectly helped Russia become the big power it is today by emerging victorious from the anti-Hitler war. All this is easy to overlook. Also it may be very popular to arouse German newcomers to this country into a new nationalist fervor.

But the fact that even after the erection of the Berlin wall none of the Western allies was ready to engage Soviet Union in a battle against this provocation should remind the Germans that the United States and Russia will not go to war over Germany.

What can only result from a movement propagated by the Neue Politik and its Canadian friends are not the strengthening of the movement for German unity but a consolidation of anti-German unity in order to prevent the resurrection of German nationalism.

Mr. Lichter may find it comfortable and popular to espouse as his opinion the silly Oppenheim letter to the editor and present the world's fear of resurrection of German nationalism as "Jewish hysterics." Nevertheless such an important, conservative, influential English daily like the Daily Express of London said after the NDP victory: "Can anyone dispute now the fact that Nazi is simply a synonym for the word, German?"

Moreover has the editor or the Toronto German speaking paper failed to read the editorials in the Canadian press, the headlines in our own newspapers? Are they all expressions of "Jewish hysterics?"

Frankly the Jewish people are least interested in what happens in Germany---as Jews. The Jewish community there is a small, insignificant one. So far as we can see, this neo-Nazi party technically is not an antisemitic party. But Jews, like others in North America and in the West, are concerned with the rise of German chauvinism which candidly is a threat to the world in the sense that it could provoke new tensions. And in this sense the Jews are concerned, as are non-Jews, with the future of humanity. They feel, as the Italian daily Messagero expressed, "We haven't reached yet the Sieg Heil....but we are not far from it."

The Belgian government radio responded to the news of the NDP victory with a Goebbels slogan about the total war.

However all this is related only indirectly to Mr. Lichter's letter and the attitude of the Torontoer Zeitung.

The fact that the German language newspaper here openly supports the nationalistic opposition to both Adenauer and Brandt and accepts as its own the libeling of the West German leaders as vassals of the Allies and traitors to Germany is very sad indeed.

Mr. Lichter but confirmed that The Canadian Jewish News was right when, in its issue of November 25th, it alarmed public opinion here against this manifestation of a dangerous attitude. Now the Torontoer Zeitung confirms for the record that it will continue to support this position. And for the record, we note it.